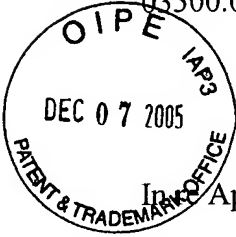


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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the patent documents listed on the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449. A copy of the cited patent documents also is enclosed.

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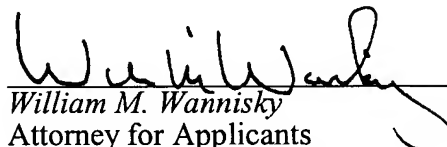
It is respectfully requested that the cited patent documents be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such patent documents have been considered.

It is earnestly believed that all requirements for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement have been satisfied.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

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